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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 62, Chapter 4,
Part 1, relative to cosmetologists.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 62-4-110(c), is amended by deleting the language "in a school" and the language "in instructor training" and by substituting instead the language "in a cosmetology school" and the language "in cosmetology instructor training" as is appropriate.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 62-4-110, is amended by adding a new subsection thereto, as follows:

() Any person who desires a license to instruct only in a school of manicure shall submit an application for examination to the board on the prescribed form. The application shall be accompanied by:

(1) A non-refundable, non-transferable application/examination fee as set by the board; and

(2) Satisfactory proof that the applicant:

- (A) Is a high school graduate, evidenced by a certificate or diploma, or a general equivalency diploma (GED);
- (B) Holds a valid manicurist's license issued by the board; and
- (C) Has completed and passed a board-approved course in manicure instructor training of at least three hundred (300) hours within a period of six (6) months as an instructor trainee, or has served as a junior instructor for a minimum of one (1) year.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 62-4-114(a)(1), is amended by deleting the subdivision in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

To maintain an active cosmetology instructor's license, a cosmetology instructor shall every two (2) years submit to the board satisfactory proof that the instructor has attended a board-approved instructor training program in cosmetology for a minimum of sixteen (16) hours. Persons obtaining an initial cosmetology instructor's license shall attend a board-approved instructor training program in cosmetology after receiving such licenses.

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 62-4-114(a), is further amended by adding the following language as new subdivision (2) and by relettering the existing subdivision (2) and subsequent subdivisions accordingly:

(2) To maintain an active manicure instructor's license, a manicure instructor shall every two (2) years submit to the board satisfactory proof that the manicure instructor has attended a board-approved instructor training program in manicure for a minimum of sixteen (16) hours. Persons obtaining an initial manicure instructor's license shall attend a board-approved manicure instructor training program in manicure after receiving such licenses.

SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 62-4-114, is amended by adding a new subsection thereto, as follows:

() Any person who holds a valid active license as a manicure instructor may engage in the practice of manicure under such license. However, no instructor may render manicure services in a school, except such services as are directly incidental to the instruction of students.

SECTION 6. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 62-4-114(d), is amended by deleting the language "obtain a cosmetologist's license from the board" and by substituting instead the language "renew such person's cosmetologist's license or license to practice manicuring".

SECTION 7. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 62-4-122(b) is amended by deleting the words "licensed instructor" and by substituting instead the words "licensed cosmetology instructor".

SECTION 8. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 62-4-122, is amended by adding the following language as a new subdivision (c) and by relettering the existing subdivision (c) and subsequent subdivisions accordingly:

(c) There shall be at least one (1) licensed manicure instructor on the premises whenever a manicure school, or a public high school or a state vocational technical school offering only manicure courses, is in operation.

SECTION 9. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 62, Chapter 4, Part 1, is amended by adding a new section thereto, as follows:

Section ____.

(a) No teaching of manicuring, whether to students or licensees, is lawful except in a duly operated cosmetology or manicure school. Schools of manicuring shall be required to have a managing manicurist who is a licensed manicure instructor and is a licensed instructor in cosmetology. A licensed manicure instructor shall be a licensed manicurist and shall have successfully completed at least three hundred (300) hours of board-approved manicure instructor coursework.

(b) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, no school of manicuring shall be required to be conducted within or adjacent to a school of cosmetology.

(c) No school of cosmetology may offer the teaching of manicuring unless such school has a managing manicurist who is a licensed instructor in manicuring and is a licensed instructor in cosmetology.

SECTION 10. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 62-4-102(a)(5), is amended by deleting subdivisions (A) and (B) in their entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(A) "Instructor" means a cosmetology instructor or a manicure instructor;

(B) "Instructor trainee" means any person who holds a valid cosmetologist's license or a manicurist's license issued by the board and who is engaged in a board-approved course in cosmetology instructor training or manicure instructor training of at least three hundred (300) hours to be completed within a period of six (6) months, which course includes practice teaching in a school of cosmetology or a manicure school under the personal supervision of a licensed cosmetology instructor or manicure instructor, as appropriate;

(C) "Junior instructor" means any person who holds a valid cosmetologist's license or a manicurist's license issued by the board who is engaged in a course of training in practice teaching in a school of cosmetology or a manicure school under the personal supervision of a licensed cosmetologist instructor or licensed manicure instructor, as appropriate, for a period of time not to exceed three (3) years;

SECTION 11. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 62-4-102(a), is amended by deleting subdivision (14) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(14) "School" means a school of cosmetology or a manicure school.

SECTION 12. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 62-4-102(a), is amended by deleting subdivision (18) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(18) "Student" means any person who is engaged in learning, performing or assisting in any of the practices of cosmetology under the immediate supervision of a cosmetology instructor or the practices of manicuring under the immediate supervision of a manicure instructor. However, for the purposes of this chapter neither instructor trainees nor junior instructors shall be considered as students.

SECTION 13. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.